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In re application of : Takashi SHIMOJIMA et al.

Application No. : 09/988,240

Mail Stop Amendment
Group Art Unit : 2171

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Examiner : Brian D. Goddard

For : FILE MANAGEMENT METHOD AND CONTENT RECORDING/PLAYBACK APPARATUS

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a **Reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.111** in the above-captioned application.

Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

A Request for Extension of Time.

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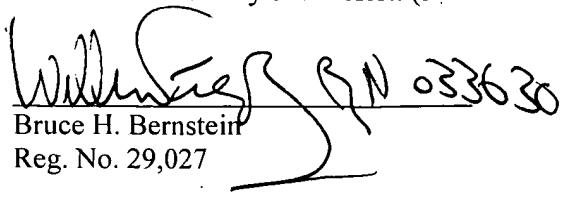
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of February 11, 2004, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on May 11, 2004, and which has been extended to expire on August 11, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of each of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action together with consideration and allowance of all the claims pending herein, in due course.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

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